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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Tropical Rainfall Measurement Mission (TRMM) will, for three years, measure rainfall rates over selected tropical areas of the Earth with a wide area coverage, resolution, and accuracy never before achieved. These measurements will provide data essential to understanding tropical precipitation processes that play a key role in the Earth's climatic changes. Components of the TRMM data system include land based rain gauges and precipitation radars, shipboard and aircraft equipment, and sensors now flying aboard satellites such as NOAA TIROS and Air Force DMSP. The key component, however, will be a satellite built and flown specifically for the purpose of making precipitation measurements: the TRMM Observatory. Planned for launch in 1995, the TRMM Observatory is a joint venture between NASA and the Science and Technology Agency of Japan; Japan will provide the Observatory's precipitation radar and will launch the satellite. NASA will provide the spacecraft, other on-board sensors, and the data collection and processing system.

EDO Corporation/Barnes Engineering Division (BED) has provided the TRMM Earth Sensor Assembly (ESA), a key element in the TRMM spacecraft's attitude control system. This report documents the history, design, fabrication, assembly, and test of the ESA.

#### Other Documentation:

| Technical Users' Manual       | CDRL 6B  | Rev 1 |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------|
| Component Thermal Analysis    | CDRL 20B | Rev 1 |
| Component Structural Analysis | CDRL 21B | Rev 2 |
| System Error Analysis         | CDRL 22B | Rev 2 |

#### 2 BASELINE HERITAGE

The Earth Sensor Assembly (ESA) Barnes' Model 13-401 is an optical infrared horizon sensor that was designed to control the attitude of an Earth orbiting satellite. The ESA is classified as a "Static" sensor because it has no moving parts. The original application of this unit was for the Air Force DMSP at an altitude of 400-500 nautical miles and later used for NOAA TIROS (31 have been launched, 8 more have been delivered). The design has been modified twice before for different altitudes. The Japanese ERS-1 & 2 (MELCO) units were delivered in 1988 and two Mars Observer units were delivered in 1991. The TRMM has, also, been modified; this time for the altitude of 350 Km. The altitude and other modifications will be discussed in Section 3.

The ESA unit uses four independent absolute radiometers to view segments of the horizon in the center of each North-East, North-West, South-East, and South-West quadrant (see Figure 2-1).

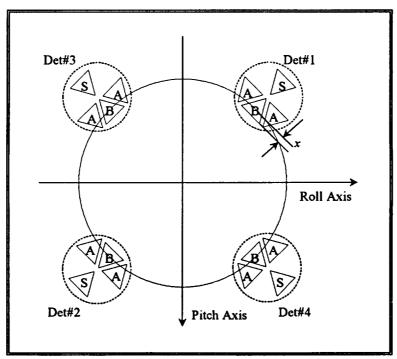


Figure 2-1 TRMM Detectors' Field-of-View

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A cross section view of the ESA is shown in Figure 2-2. The four objective lenses focus the horizon segments onto four detector/cavity assemblies. Each detector/cavity assembly is equivalent to a four-channel, d-c radiometer sharing a common objective lens. Four corresponding sets of digital horizon measurement data are obtained and provided to an on-board computer for pitch and roll attitude computation.

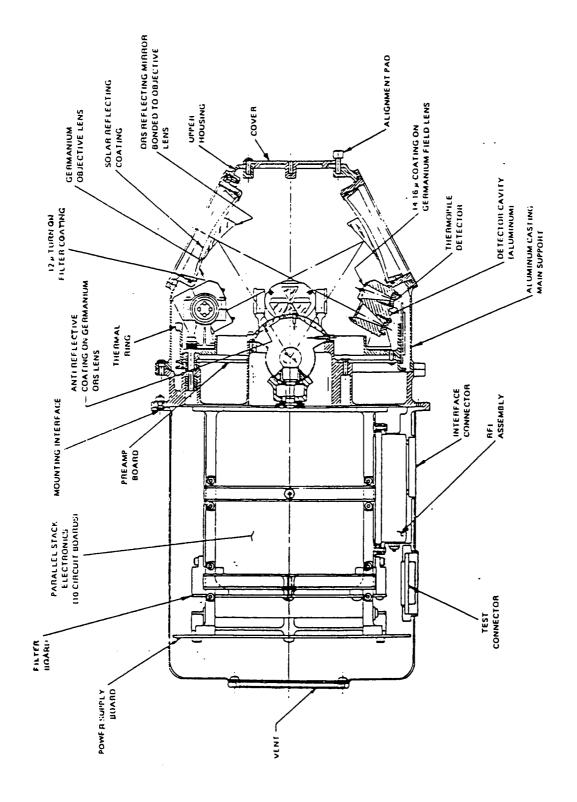
The ESA's basic principle of operation is the Barnes "double-triangle concept." A simple geometric relationship exists between the 'A' and 'B' fields of view which independently establishes the horizon with respect to the sensor for each of the four horizon segments viewed (see Figure 2-1). The measurement is tolerant of uniform radiance differences from season to season. The 'S' field of view contained in each field of view cluster provides a space radiation reference measurement.

Triangular field lenses are located at the entrance of the four optical cavities in each detector/cavity assembly. These lenses are at the field stop and restrict the view angle of the detectors to the solid angle subtended by the objective. Each objective lens projects the four triangular fields of view established by the field lenses toward the earth's horizon as shown in Figure 2-1. Bandpass filters are deposited on the field lenses to limit the sensitivity of each optical channel to energy in the 14 to 16 micron spectral band (the CO<sub>2</sub> band).

The 12 detector outputs are multiplexed through a single AC coupling capacitor to a single amplifier (minimizes differential drift), and then DC restored. The resulting amplified waveform is fed to a dual slope integrator which integrates the ground reference before a detector with a gain of -1/2, the detector output with a gain of 1, and the ground reference after the detector with a gain of -1/2. The final integrated signal is discharged by a reference current while a clock controlled counter determines the time to the zero crossing. The digital number of the counter at zero crossing is the "counts" reported to the spacecraft interface.

All the 13-401 ESA's have these common characteristics the look down angle is changed to accommodate altitude differences and the interface circuitry to accommodate spacecraft specific requirements.

Figure 2-2 Cross Section View Earth Sensor Assembly



#### 3 TRMM Specific Modifications

The TRMM operates differently than the baseline TIROS/DMSP sensor. These differences required design modification in five areas briefly described below and detailed in the PDR & CDR data packages:

- 3.1 Reduced operating altitude The look down angle must be changed (lens wedged) to change the altitude from 800 Km to 350 Km. The casting of the ESA's "helmet" sets the optical axis of each objective lens/detector cavity system to 62.6 degrees. At 350 Km the Earth subtends 146 degrees so that each exterior look down angle should be set to 73 degrees. Rather than change anything inside the ESA, the objective lens is designed and built with prismatic wedge to deviate the line of sight the extra 10.4 degrees. The inside radius of curvature remains the same to interface with the ORS mirror, and the outside surfaces radius of curvature is slightly changed to allow for the change in lens thickness. (see Design of Objective Lens for TRMM Appendix B.)
- 3.2 Dual channel operation The baseline system is standby redundant. The system is designed such that the independent sides <u>cannot</u> be operated simultaneously. The TRMM requirement is for active redundancy. This required a change in command circuitry and the synchronization of the normally independent channels. The detectors are common to both channels and the multiplexing of the detectors to the single preamplifier in each channel introduces small glitches which are synchronized to the multiplexing. If the sides are not in lock-step with each other the glitches of one will be in the data taking time interval of the other and erroneous data will result. This was implemented on the A5 Logic & Control board.
- 3.3 Fully redundant telemetry One channel at a time operation allowed sharing of output pins in the connector interface. The RFI assembly where the connector enters the ESA had to be modified to have 52 filter feed thrus which required a major geometry change. The A4 ORS & REF TLM and the A14 Interface & Misc Boards were modified to have separate telemetry paths.
- 3.4 Five volt telemetry The output to the spacecraft had been 0-10 volts signals from the spacecraft provided 10 volt bus. The interface had to be changed to 0-5 volts from an internally generated source. The A4 ORS &

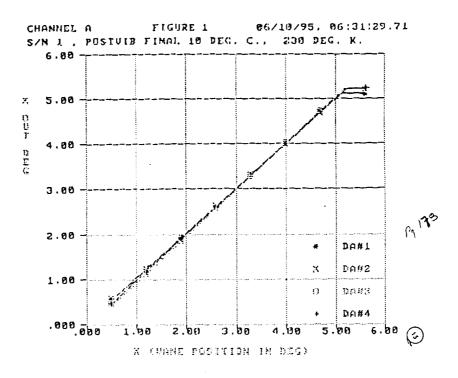
REF TLM and the A14 Interface & Misc Boards were modified to operate from the 5 volt reference rather than the 10 volt I/F bus.

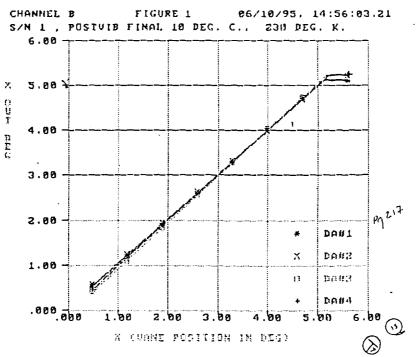
3.5 14 bit digital conversion - The baseline unit uses a 12 bit counter to encode the radiometric data as the dual slope integrator is run-out.. The TRMM required 14 bits which required an increase in the clock speed from 396 Khz to 1.6 Mhz and an increase in the counter size (effected on the A6 Logic & Clock board). The output buffer had always been 16 bits (overrange bit, sign bit, 12 data magnitude, 2 unused), the unused bits were now used as magnitude bits.

#### 3.6 PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

| PARAMETER | SPECIFIED             | <b>ACTUAL</b>     |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| SIZE      | <20 cm X 35 cm        | 18.5 cm X 33.2 cm |
| WEIGHT    | <5 Kg                 | 4.2 Kg            |
| POWER     | <8.5 watts            | 7 watts           |
| LINEARITY | < 0.1 degree          | see figure        |
| ACCURACY  | < 0.08 +/-7 % of att. | see figure        |
| NOISE     | <16 counts            | <4 counts         |

Figure 3-1
Final Transfer Functions @ 10 C
Demonstrate Accuracy & Linearity





#### 4 MAJOR PROGRAM MILESTONES

The program proceeded on schedule through the beginning of fabrication. Two DR's in the fabrication area discussed in Section 5 slowed the progress toward Proto-Flight Testing (PTP). Unforeseen difficulties with the EMI conducted susceptibility test hindered the progress in PTP. However, PTP start to shipment was scheduled for 2 months and from EMI passing (beginning of PTP) to shipment was 2 months.

| MILESTONE                       | PLANNED DATE | <u>ACTUAL</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Kickoff                         | 04/93        | 04/16/93      |
| GSFC/BED Brassboard Testing     | ; N/A        | 07/93         |
| PDR @ GSFC                      | 08/93        | 08/19/93      |
| CDR                             | 11/93        | 11/17/93      |
| Beginning of Fabrication        | 04/94        | 04/94         |
| Beginning of System Integration | ı            | 02/95 (1      |
| Beginning of PTP                | 09/94        | 03/95         |
| EMI Failure                     |              | 03/15/95 (2   |
| Resume PTP (EMI passe           | s)           | 04/27/95      |
| Completion of Testing           |              | 06/14/95 (3   |
| Shipment                        | 11/94        | 06/19/95      |

#### NOTES:

- 1) Error in the A7 Logic Board layout determined August 94 set the program schedule back (as noted in the monthly reports). The error in the A6 Logic/Clock Board discovered later, at electronic stack integration January 95, delayed System Integration to February 95. Total slip for these two design flaws was 6 months.
- 2) EMI Conducted Susceptibility Testing was at a higher level than heritage designs had previously passed. Prior success resulted in insufficient attention paid to this area during the design phase. Ultimately, an L-C network was incorporated into the RFI assembly to reject the conducted interference, but a month and a half of schedule was consumed.
- 3) During PTP the trim of the unit shifted after vibration. The unit was opened cleaned, re-trimmed, re-vibrated, and continued PTP (see discussion Section 5). Loss of schedule approximately 1 week.

## 5 SIGNIFICANT DISCREPANCY REPORTS (DR's)

The program has had only 4 discrepancies of note, two during the design phase discovered in fabrication, and two in the Proto-flight Test phase. These DR's are discussed below.

#### **Fabrication**

A7 Logic Board layout (Aug 94)

Board artwork did not reflect the schematic. Differences were 1) U15 missing, 2) U12-pin 1 incorrectly wired to E15, and 3) E26 incorrectly shorted to E25. The design error required scrapping the boards. They were re-designed, re-purchased, re-populated, and re-tested. Reference ECN 2573-E-416.

# A6 Logic/Clock Board layout (Jan 95) IPE 7505

Board was designed with insufficient clearance for stand-off. A collar/spacer is located in the center of the board through which a skewing rod is placed. This collar/spacer once installed comes in contact with (overlaps) a nearby trace. Once assembled into the electronic stack the circuit will be shorted to ground via the skewing rod. The repair cut trace to isolate it and the circuit reconnected with jumpers. Reference D1153-010B. No overstress of board occurred.

#### **Testing**

#### PTP EMI Test (Mar 95) FTI 2789

System failed conducted susceptibility at the 1 volt RMS level, and CE02. Previous unit (MELCO) had passed 1 volt peak-to-peak and the other test levels. Insufficient design attention was paid to this critical area. The repair installed ferrite beads on power lines and returns in the RFI assembly to reject the conducted interference. The retest passed specification. Reference ECP E1153-014.

# Trim shift after vibration (May 95) FTI 2803

After vibration testing, the operating point of the 3B field shifted. The effect was caused by a change in the effective trim of the unit by a very small

amount of residual contaminating on an ORS lens in the optical head. Following a through cleaning the unit was revibrated and, and continued through PTP.

# APPENDIX A PROGRAM CDRL TABULATION

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#### APPENDIX B

# DESIGN of OBJECTIVE LENS for TRMM

# Design of Objective Lens

for

# **Tropical Rainfall Measurment Mission**

Earth Sensor Assembly

(TRMM ESA)

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#### 1. Introduction:

The objective lens for the Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission ESA (TERESA) will have the same rear surface radius of curvature as the original DMSP ESA objective lens (i.e., R2=151.72mm); however, the first surface curvature, R1, will be 108.06mm, the center thickness of the lens will be increased to 5mm and the lens will have to provide a larger deviation angle of 10.43° to deviate the look down angle of the original DMSP ESA sensor to 73.03°. This deviation is required to accommodate the different altitudes and dip-ins between the DMSP and TERESA's. The deviation of the FOV is accomplished by wedging the objective lens by 3.39°.

#### 2. DISCUSSION:

The lens design methodology for TERESA is based on the design of the objective lens for the MELCO program (see Reference 1 for a copy of MELCO lens design). This is because both the TERESA and the MELCO are DMSP-like ESA's having lower operational altitudes than DMSP. The effect of having a lower operational altitude is the earth nadir angle or look down angle is larger, i.e., the earth's horizon is larger in angular subtense than for the standard ESA and the static sensor's fields-of-view is not positioned on the earth's horizon. The method in which this can be corrected with the minimal amount of change to the original design is to modify the objective lens so that it increases the nadir or look down angle to that for TERESA.

#### 2.1 <u>Design Requirements:</u>

The TRMM sensor must be able to measure pitch and roll over a  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.08^{\circ} \pm 7\%$  for a 335Km to 365Km operational altitude range (350Km is the nominal altitude). There is an additional requirement for operation over an altitude range of 200Km to 400Km, but with degraded accuracy and attitude range.

#### 2.2 Nadir Angle Calculation:

The first step in determining the new look down angle for TERESA is to determine what the nadir angles are in the standard ESA and TERESA. Given, the altitude above the hard earth (ALT), the earth's radius (for simplicity we will assume the earth is not an oblate spheroid and use the earth's equatorial radius, REQ), and the average height of the earth's  $CO_2$  atmosphere  $(HCO_2)$ , the earth's horizon angle (or half of the earth's angular subtense) can be found by:

$$\Phi(ALT) = Sin^{-1} \left( \frac{REQ + HCO2}{REQ + ALT} \right)$$
 (2.2.1)

where:

$$REO = 6371Km$$
 &  $HCO2 = 40Km$ 

In the design for the MELCO lens, the altitude used for the standard DMSP was 833.33Km which would have a horizon angle of:

$$\Phi(833.33Km) = 62.86^{\circ} \tag{2.2.2}$$

However, the nadir or look down angle, which is defined as "the angle between the optical axis of the ESA's B field-of-view and the yaw axis of the satellite", is 62.6° in the standard DMSP style ESA. This would correspond to a nominal altitude of 850Km instead of 833.33Km. The difference of 0.26° in the look down angle has the effect of increasing the nominal dip-in from 2.6° to 2.86°. For the DMSP, MARS and MELCO programs this caused no measurable performance degradation but, since there is no reason for this discrepancy, the TERESA design will not propagate the dip-in angle difference. So, for the calculation of the nadir angle change, we will assume the nominal altitude of the DMSP is 850Km, which produces the following horizon angle:

$$\Phi(850Km) = 62.60^{\circ} \tag{2.2.3}$$

Next, applying equation (2.2.1) for the TRMM nominal altitude of 350Km:

$$\Phi(350Km) = 72.53^{\circ} \tag{2.2.4}$$

Then, the change in look down angle required due to the different operational altitude is:

$$\Delta\Theta = \Phi(350Km) - \Phi(850Km) = 9.93^{\circ}$$
 (2.2.5)

This look down angle change provides the same nominal dip-in as the standard ESA which is  $2.6^{\circ}$  assuming an 850Km nominal altitude. A  $2.6^{\circ}$  dip-in means that at the nominal altitude (of 850Km for DMSP) at a null attitude position (Pitch = 0 & Roll = 0), the earth's horizon covers half of the B field-of-view. Additionally, if the altitude were not to change, the range over which the attitude could vary

would be around  $\pm 2.6^{\circ}$ . However, since the altitude varies from 740Km to 925Km, the operational attitude range is reduced to  $\pm 1^{\circ}$ .

On TRMM, the altitude varies from 200Km to 400Km, which in terms of the earth's horizon angle is a variation of 77.33° to 71.23°. That translates to approximately a  $6^{\circ}$  variation in the earth's horizon. In addition, if a  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range is to be provided over this altitude range, a total of 8° would be required of the B FOV. However, since the detector is only capable of covering a 5.2° field space range, it may be advantageous to select a dip-in other than 2.6° which will provide coverage over a reduced altitude range that will be most useful to TERESA's needs within the 5.2° field space. The dip-in chosen was 2.1° which provides coverage all the way to the highest altitude of 400Km, but with reduced operational attitude range (around  $\pm 0.4^{\circ}$  in pitch and roll at 400Km). The reason the attitude range is limited at 400Km is because the detector becomes very noisy with smaller dip-ins and the smaller dip-in is a result of the earth's horizon becoming smaller as the altitude becomes larger (see Figure 1). If the attitude were allowed to vary the full  $\pm 0.8^{\circ}$  at 400Km, the error due to noise would be severe at the furthest attitude positions. Therefore, approximately 0.2° of the B FOV is left for noise margin. A more detailed description of the noise is available in the system error analysis document for TERESA.

The  $2.1^{\circ}$  dip-in does have the advantage of providing  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range to an altitude down to 285Km. This is illustrated in Figure 1, which shows the location of the earth's horizon at null for a number of altitudes. As can be seen in Figure 1, as the altitude decreases, the earth's horizon increases covering more and more of the B FOV. At 285Km, the earth's horizon is located about  $4^{\circ}$  into the B FOV, leaving the remaining  $1.2^{\circ}$  of the B FOV for attitude range and error margin. Attitude information will be available for the region between 285Km to 200Km, but by a different method. The two methods that have presently been considered are to let the altitude decrease until the earth's horizon begins to illuminate the S FOV or to pitch or roll the unit  $1^{\circ}$  to  $2^{\circ}$  and use the sensor in a two detector operational mode. Both options will have degraded performance, however, the latter method will avoid the potential of a dead band. These options have been described in more detail in earlier correspondence with NASA Goddard (see Appendix 1, memos RD20-93 and RD21-93).

A reduced dip-in also has the advantage of reducing the error due to radiance variations at null. Since the accuracy required by the TRMM sensor is  $0.08^{\circ} \pm 7\%$  of the true attitude range, while the original ESA was  $0.1^{\circ}$ , the smaller dip-in will help in reducing the radiance error at null.

On the other hand, a smaller dip-in has the effect of increasing the noise errors. And so, from a noise standpoint, a larger dip-in is more desirable. Therefore, the choice of the dip-in was made by trading off the errors that were dependent on the dip-in and the optimal location was found to be 2.1°.

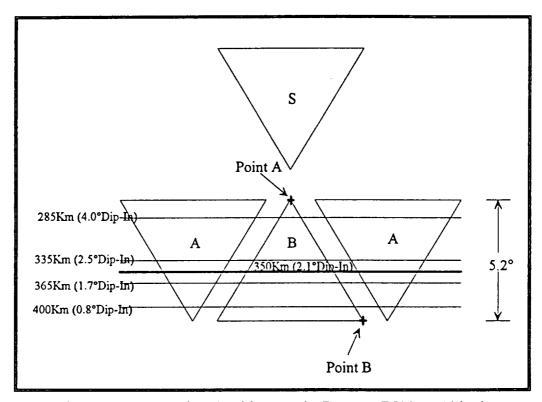


Figure 1 - Earth Horizon Positions on the Detector FOV vs. Altitude

Going back to the look down angle calculation, a dip-in change from 2.6° to 2.1° will result in an additional change in the look down angle of:

$$\Delta\Theta_1 = 2.6^{\circ} - 2.1^{\circ} = 0.5^{\circ}$$
 (2.2.6)

Therefore, the look down angle required for TERESA, which accounts for the new altitude range and the different nominal dip-in, will be the original look down angle of the standard ESA ( $\Theta_{ESA} = 62.6^{\circ}$ ) plus the change in angle, $\Delta\Theta$  plus the dip-in difference ( $\Delta\Theta = 0.5^{\circ}$ ). See Figure 2 for an illustration of the nadir angle definitions for the standard ESA, MARS, MELCO, and TERESA.

$$\Theta_{TRMM} = \Theta_{ESA} + \Delta\Theta + \Delta\Theta_1 = 62.6^{\circ} + 9.93^{\circ} + 0.5^{\circ} = 73.03^{\circ}$$
 (2.2.7)

And the change in the look down angle is:

$$\Delta\Theta + \Delta\Theta_1 = 9.93^{\circ} + 0.5^{\circ} = 10.43^{\circ}$$
 (2.2.8)

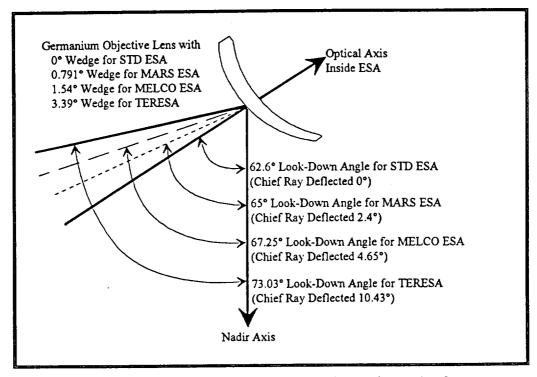


Figure 2 - Look Down Angle Requirements for Various ESA Sensors

#### 2.3 Wedge Angle Calculation:

So, having found the objective lens must deviate the FOV by  $10.43^{\circ}$ , the next step is to determine what the wedge angle must be. Referring to my memorandum RD17-93, "Prism Formulas for Non-Minimum Deviation", included in Appendix 1, we can estimate the approximate wedge angle,  $\alpha$ , that will be required. This approximate calculation can be used as a starting point and refined by an optical raytrace analysis using Code V.

$$\alpha = Tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{4.002} Sin(10.43^{\circ})}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4.002} Sin^{2}(10.43^{\circ}) - \frac{1}{4.002}}} \right] = 3.46^{\circ}$$
 (2.3.1)

Equation (2.3.1) is the calculation for the apex or wedge angle of a non minimum deviation prism in terms of the index of refraction, n=4.002 (which is the index of refraction of germanium in the  $14\mu m$  to  $16\mu m$  bandwidth at  $25^{\circ}C$ ), and the deviation angle,  $i=10.43^{\circ}$ .

This apex angle of 3.46° is then used only as a starting point for the lens design. Using Code V, the optimal wedge angle was found to be 3.39°. The reason there is a difference between the apex angle calculated by equation 2.1 and the optimal wedge angle is that the apex angle calculated by the equation is the exact solution for a prism whose front and back surfaces do not have curvature. For TERESA, the two surfaces of the prism do not have zero curvature and therefore, the true apex angle for a wedged lens is slightly different than that for a simple prism.

#### 2.4 Lens Design Objectives:

As in the MELCO lens design, the main objective is to minimize the amount of redesign to the standard ESA optical head. In doing so, the fixed parameters of the design are the radius of curvature for the rear surface of the lens. This is so the ORS mirror can be mated to the rear surface of the lens without any change to the mirror. The axis of the rear surface will also be kept the same with respect to the axes of the field lenses. Another fixed parameter is the back focal length of the optical system. The back focal length is the distance from the objective lens to the field lens and it must be kept the same as the standard ESA to avoid mechanical changes to the optical head. And the final fixed parameter that has just been defined is the wedge angle of the lens which is 3.39°.

Given these fixed parameters, the variables are the thickness of the lens and the curvature of the front surface. Since the wedge angle of the lens has increased significantly, it will be necessary to increase the center thickness of the lens so that the edge thickness is not too small (edge thickness should not be less than 1mm). We will try 5mm for the center thickness of the lens and verify that it will provide adequate thickness at the edge. Then, as a baseline we will assume the same radius of curvature for the front surface of the lens as in MELCO. This initial curvature is 106.71mm and it will be optimized to improve the image quality or spot size of the point images at the top and bottom edges of the B field-of-view (these points are shown as Point A and Point B in Figure 1).

#### 2.5 Lens Front Surface Curvature Calculations:

Having defined the wedge of the lens to be 3.39°, and the center thickness to be 5mm, the last remaining variable in the lens design is the curvature of the front surface of the lens. Again, Code V will be used to optimize the lens front surface curvature. A layout of the optical model is shown in Figure 3. The layout only shows the optics to the field lens, i.e., the field lens and the cone optics are not included. The reason for this is because the field lens and mirrored cone are only used to collect the energy from the aperture stop and flood it onto the detector. An obscuration has been included in the center of the objective lens to model the location of the ORS mirror in the actual optical system. The listing for the lens system is shown in Listing 1.

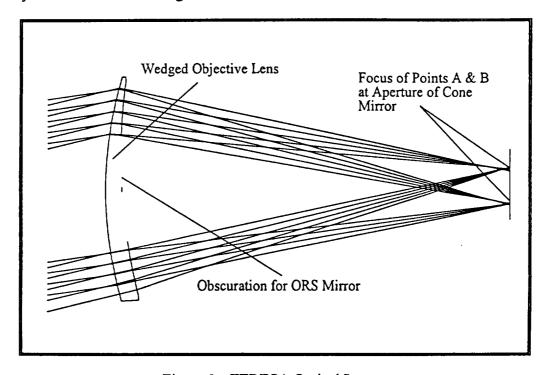


Figure 3 - TERESA Optical Layout

Using Code V's AUTO design feature, the curvature was adjusted to minimize the tangential blur of the spots for the two field angles at the ends of the detector points A and B in Figure 1. All other parameters except the radius of curvature for the front surface was held constant. After the optimization, the final curvature was 108.06mm.

#### 2.6 Lens Thickness Calculations:

In the design of this 3.39° wedged objective lens it is desirable from a fabrication standpoint to ensure the edge thickness of the lens is not too small. The general practice has been to design the lens such that the minimum edge thickness is not less than 1mm. However, another design objective is to design the lens for greatest optical throughput, and that is achieved by designing the lens to be as thin as possible. Given these two opposing requirements, let us determine whether a 5mm center thickness provides an adequate edge thickness for the objective lens. The following discussion shows how to find the edge thickness of a wedged lens given the radii of curvature (RDY1 & RDY2), the center thickness (THI), the wedge or apex angle (ADE), and the edge heights of the lens (y1 and y2).

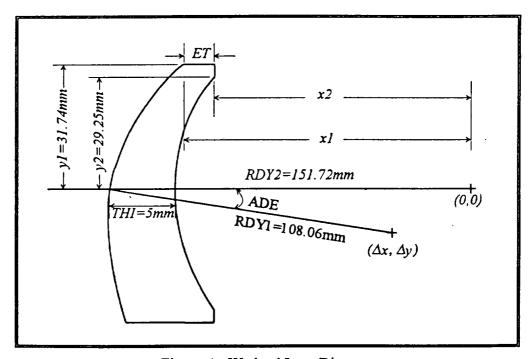


Figure 4 - Wedged Lens Diagram

Referring to Figure 4, the edge thickness (ET) is given by:

$$ET = x1 - x2 (2.6.1)$$

The length xI can be found by solving the equation of a circle centered at  $(\Delta, \Delta y)$  with a radius of curvature RDYI and at a height of yI:

$$x1 = \sqrt{RDY1^2 - (y1 - \Delta y)^2} + \Delta x \tag{2.6.2}$$

Then,  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta y$  are given by:

$$\Delta x = RDY1 + THI - RDY2 \cdot Cos(ADE)$$

$$\Delta y = -RDY1 \cdot Sin(ADE)$$
(2.6.3)

And finally, x2 is found by solving the equation of a circle centered at the origin with radius of curvature RDY2 and at a height of y2:

$$x2 = \sqrt{RDY2^2 - y2^2} \tag{2.6.4}$$

Now, in the case of TERESA, the known variables are:

RDY1=108.06mm RDY2=151.72mm THI=5mm ADE=3.39° y1=31.74mm y2=29.25mm

Substituting into equations (2.6.2), (2.6.3), & (2.6.4):

 $\Delta x$ =48.85mm  $\Delta y$ =-6.39mm x1=149.96mm x2=148.87mm

And, finally, substituting into equation (2.6.1):

$$ET = 1.09mm$$

which is greater than the minimum requirement of 1mm. Therefore a center thickness of 5mm will provide enough edge thickness. As far as the throughput goes, there will be a small throughput loss; however, the loss is not expected to be large enough to degrade the overall performance of the optical system. To definitively quantify the optical loss, a transmission measurement would have to be made of this proposed lens and compared to the throughput of the MELCO lens, which is known to have had adequate optical throughput.

If the heights were negated (i.e., let y1=-31.74mm and y2=-29.25mm), the edge thickness for the thick side of the lens could be found using the same equations defined above. Making the substitution, the thick edge thickness is:

#### 2.7 Evaluation of Optical Performance:

The performance of this optical design is dependent primarily on the tangential blur size of spots that correspond to the field angles of points A and B in Figure 1. By looking at the spot diagram of Figure 5, it can be seen that the 100% tangential blur of Points A and B are 0.37° and 0.64°, respectively.

These blurs were calculated by measuring the tangential blur in physical space dimensions of millimeters and converting to angles using the factor 1.88mm/°. This factor was determined by tracing the chief ray of a number of different field angles from 8° to 14° in 1° increments and seeing where the chief ray intersected the image plane. The results of this calculation are shown in Table I. Figure 6 shows a plot of this field angle versus image position calculation and it shows that the transfer function is fairly linear over the field-of-view of the B detector.

Going back to Figure 5, notice that the blurs are 0.37° for Point A and 0.64° for Point B. Table II shows a comparison of the tangential blurs from the original ESA, the MELCO ESA and the proposed TERESA optics. It is apparent that the blurs are larger for the TERESA system than the previous ESA's; however, there is still no degradation in the performance of the system. This is because the field lenses due not form an image of the earth's horizon, but rather, just gathers the energy from the aperture stop and floods the entire detector. As long as the depression angle of the horizon at the highest altitude is large enough, aberrations will not affect the linearity of the transfer function.

| Input Field<br>Angle<br>(YAN°) | Chief Ray<br>Height<br>(mm) | Displacement of<br>Spot Centroid from<br>Chief Ray (mm) | Image<br>Height<br>(mm) | Slope<br>(mm/°) |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 8.00                           | -4.34                       | -0.24   | -4.58                   | 1.90            |
| 8.33                           | -3.72                       | -0.24   | -3.96                   | 1.90            |
| 9.00                           | -2.45                       | -0.24   | -2.69                   | 1.89            |
| 10.00                          | -0.56                       | -0.23   | <b>-</b> 0.80           | 1.89            |
| 10.43                          | 0.25                        | -0.23   | 0.01                    | 1.88            |
| 11.00                          | 1.32                        | -0.23   | 1.09                    | 1.88            |
| 12.00                          | 3.19                        | -0.22   | 2.97                    | 1.87            |
| 13.00                          | 5.05                        | -0.21   | 4.84                    | 1.88            |
| 13.53                          | 6.04                        | -0.20   | 5.84                    | 1.87            |
| 14.00                          | 6.91                        | -0.20   | 6.72                    |                 |
|                                | Ave                         | age Slope   |                         | 1.88            |

Table I - Image Height vs. Field Angle

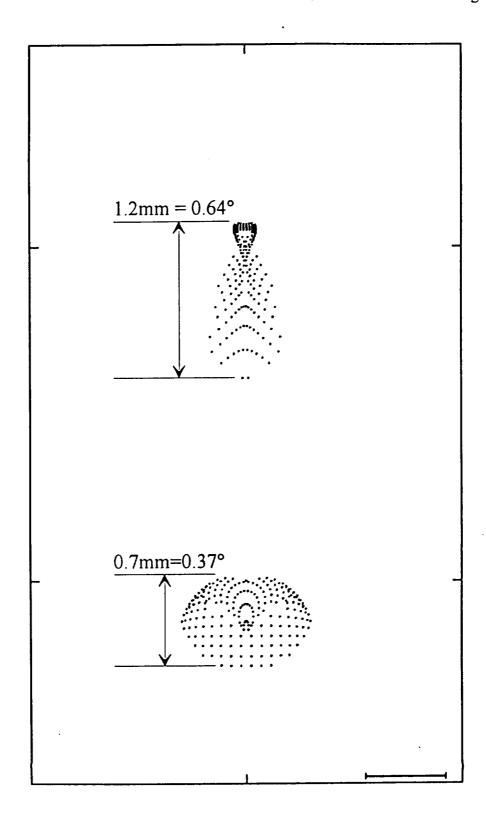


Figure 5 - Spot Diagrams for Points A & B

|                                |              | Tangential Blur |        |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------|
| Field Position                 | Standard ESA | MELCO ESA       | TERESA |
| Point A (Bottom Edge of B FOV) | 0.14°        | 0.26°           | 0.37°  |
| Point B (Top of B FOV)         | 0.17°        | 0.30°           | 0.64°  |

Table II - Comparison of Tangential Blur from Previous ESA's

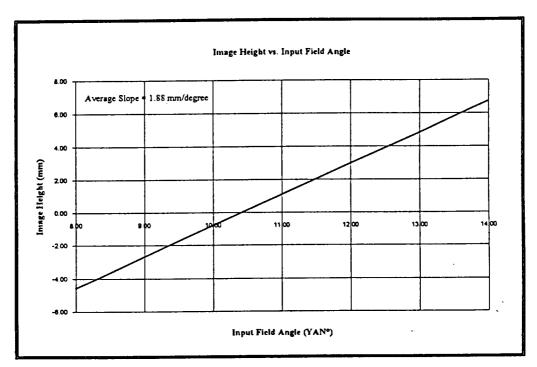


Figure 6 - Image Position vs. Field Angle Plot

To calculate the minimum depression angle,  $\Theta_{min}$ , that can be allowed, let's assume that the minimum depression angle must be at least half of the 100% blur width at the bottom edge of the B FOV. So,

$$\Theta_{\min} = \frac{0.37^{\circ}}{2} = 0.185^{\circ}$$

Since we have imposed a minimum depression angle of 0.25°, which is .085° greater than the minimum depression angle allowed because of the blur, there will be adequate signal from the blur spot and the transfer function will be linear.

#### 2.8 Temperature Effects on Wedged Lens:

A major concern in designing wedged objective lenses is the effects due to temperature changes. When the temperature of the lens changes, the lens' index or refraction changes causing the deviation angle to change. This change in deviation angle may cause a significant pointing bias if the temperature difference from one of the objective lenses is very different from the other lenses (remember that this sensor consists of four wedged objective lenses to view the four quadrants of the earth).

Based on input from a thermal analysis of the spacecraft, the temperature difference on one of the lenses with respect to the others is  $5^{\circ}$ C. For germanium, the optical material of these lenses, the temperature coefficient, dn/dT, is:

$$\frac{dn}{dT} = 4 \times 10^{-4} / {}^{\circ}C$$
 or  $\Delta n = (4 \times 10^{-4}) \cdot \Delta T$  (2.8.1)

Since  $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}$ C,  $\Delta n$  is:

$$\Delta n = \pm 0.002$$

The nominal index of refraction for germanium at 25°C is:

$$n = 4.002$$

So, the index change for a ±5°C temperature change is:

$$n_{max} = 4.004$$
 $n_{min} = 4.000$ 

Now, given the wedge or apex angle,  $\alpha$ , of the lens along with the index of refraction, n, of the germanium lens, the deviation angle, i, can be found by (see RD17-93 memo for the origin of this formula):

$$i = Sin^{-1} \left\{ n \cdot Sin \left[ \alpha - Sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{n} \cdot Sin(\alpha) \right) \right] \right\}$$
 (2.8.2)

Since the apex angle has been fixed to 3.39° and the nominal index is 4.002, the nominal deviation angle should be:

$$i_{nom} = 10.230^{\circ}$$

Notice that this does not agree exactly with the actual nominal deviation angle of 10.43°, but again, that is because we are using a formula for simple prisms that do not have curvatures. Nonetheless, this formula can be used because we are only interested in the change in deviation angles with change in index and using the prism formulas for a difference calculation would agree closely for the wedged objective lens. Then, using the maximum and minimum indices of refraction with the deviation angle equation, the maximum and minimum deviation angles are:

$$i_{max} = 10.236^{\circ}$$
  
 $i_{min} = 10.223^{\circ}$ 

Therefore, the error in the depression angle due to a single lens becoming  $5^{\circ}$ C warmer or cooler than the other lenses will be  $\pm 0.007^{\circ}$ . The error in pointing due to this depression angle error is given by (the derivation of this can be found in the noise analysis document):

$$\Delta P 4 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} (\Delta x_2 - \Delta x_4 + \Delta x_3 - \Delta x_1)$$
 (2.8.3)

$$\Delta R4 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \left( \Delta x_2 - \Delta x_3 + \Delta x_4 - \Delta x_1 \right) \tag{2.8.4}$$

Now, since there is a bias in only one of the depression angles, the overall pointing error will be:

$$\Delta P4 = \Delta R4 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot \Delta x = 0.0025^{\circ}$$

This would be the resultant worst error in both pitch and roll, but the worst error in just pitch or just roll would occur if two of the fields changed temperature by 5°C. Then the maximum attitude error would be:

$$\Delta P4 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot (2 \times \Delta x) = 0.005^{\circ}$$
 &  $\Delta R4 = 0$ 

or

$$\Delta R4 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \cdot (2 \times \Delta x) = 0.005^{\circ}$$
 &  $\Delta P4 = 0$ 

depending on which two lenses see the temperature change. In any event, whether the combined pitch and roll error or the single axis attitude error is concerned, the effect due to temperature change is small enough to be unmeasureable by the sensor and so may be neglected.

# LISTING 1

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# APPENDIX 1

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Prism Formulas for Non-Minimum Deviation (RD17-93)

This discussion presents the derivation of the apex angle or wedge angle of a non-minimum deviation prism required for a given deviation angle. Figure 1, below illustrates the relevant variables for the derivation.

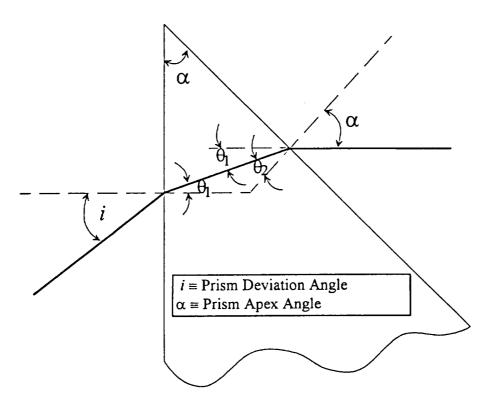


Figure 1 - Non-Minimum Deviation Prism Diagram

-The first equation that can be derived using Snell's Law is:

$$Sin(i) = nSin(\theta_1)$$
 or  $Sin(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{n}Sin(i)$  (1)

Again, using Snell's Law:

$$nSin(\theta_2) = Sin(\alpha) \tag{2}$$

Referring to Figure 1, it can seen that:

$$\theta_2 = \alpha - \theta_1 \tag{3}$$

So, substituting (3) into (2):

$$nSin(\alpha - \theta_1) = Sin(\alpha)$$

$$Sin(\alpha)Cos(\theta_1) - Cos(\alpha)Sin(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{n}Sin(\alpha)$$

$$Cos(\theta_1) - \frac{Sin(\theta_1)}{Tan(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$Tan(\alpha) = \frac{Sin(\theta_1)}{Cos(\theta_1) - \frac{1}{n}}(9)$$
(4)

Now, using the trigonometric identity:

$$Cos(\theta_1) = \sqrt{1 - Sin^2(\theta_1)} \tag{5}$$

Equation (4), combined with equations (1) and (5) can be written as:

$$\alpha = Tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{n}Sin(i)}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}Sin^2(i)} - \frac{1}{n}} \right]$$
(6)

Which expresses the apex angle,  $\alpha$ , in terms of the deviation angle, i, and the index of refraction, n.

In addition, we can solve for the deviation angle, i, as function of the apex angle,  $\alpha$ , and the index of refraction of the material, n.

$$i = Sin^{-1} \left\{ n Sin \left[ \alpha - Sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{n} Sin(\alpha) \right) \right] \right\}$$
 (7)

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Extended Range Capabilities of Standard ESA (RD20-93)

The standard ESA configuration in based on an array of four detectors arranged around the horizon of the earth with a nominal dip-in of 2.6°. That is to say, that when the sensor was at its nominal altitude of 833Km and at a null position, the penetration or depression angle, x, as shown in Figure 1, of the A and B fields would all be the same and equal to 2.6°. Each detector array consists of four triangular fields - two A fields, one B field and an S field. The two A fields are averaged together and are used to provide a measure of the radiance in the vicinity of the B field. The B field combined with the A fields are used to determine the amount penetration, x, into the earth and the penetration from each of the four detector arrays is used to determine the pitch and roll attitude.

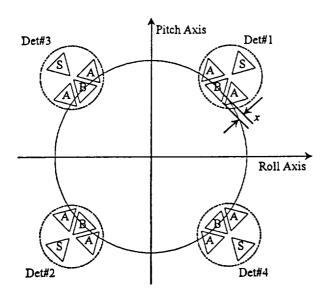


Figure 1 - Detector Orientation for an Earth Sensor
Assembly

The A, B and S fields are 5.2° high, and so, the total range of operation available from the sensor is 5.2 (actually, it is somewhat less than 5.2° because of the angular jitter which increases at the ends of the fields-of-view). which has provide for attitude changes as well as altitude changes. The altitude for the standard ESA ranges from 740Km to 925Km which results in an angular earth radius varying from 64.4° to 61.5°. As the altitude of the satellite increases, the apparent angular subtense of the earth tends to decrease, and likewise, as the altitude decreases, the angular subtense of the earth increases. This has the effect of causing greater

nominal dip-ins as the altitude decreases and smaller nominal dip-ins as the altitude increases. So, the altitude variation requires a total of  $64.4^{\circ}-61.5^{\circ}=2.9^{\circ}$  of the  $5.2^{\circ}$  FOV. In addition, the attitude range is  $\pm 1^{\circ}$ . So an additional  $2^{\circ}$  is required in the FOV for a total of  $4.9^{\circ}$ . The remaining  $0.3^{\circ}$  is not used since the angular jitter error becomes large at the ends of the FOV.

Now for the TRMM mission, the altitude range varies from 200Km to 400Km, which has an angular earth subtense variation from  $77.3^{\circ}$  to  $71.2^{\circ}$  or  $6.1^{\circ}$ . In addition, if we wished to provide a  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude variation range, another  $2^{\circ}$  would be needed for a total field-of-view of  $8.1^{\circ}$ . Since the FOV of the ESA is  $5.2^{\circ}$  and the required FOV for TRMM is  $8.1^{\circ}$ , there will have to be some compromises made to achieve the extended altitude range.

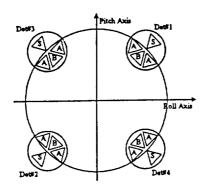


Figure 2 - Detectors Fully Illuminated by Earth for Low Altitudes

The altitude region in which the highest accuracy is required maintaining ±1° of attitude range is 335Km to 365Km. If the optics is optimized for this region, there will be larger penetration angles, x, for altitudes below 335Km, i.e., the apparent earth horizon will become larger at lower altitudes. As the altitude is decreased even further, the earth's will increase subtense angular eventually, all the B fields will be filled by the earth's horizon. This is shown in Figure 2. Then, for about 1°, which is the gap between the B field and S field, the sensor will not be

able to show attitude changes until the altitude is reduced further and information can be obtained but, with degraded accuracy that has not yet been determined.

There is a way in which the attitude can be evaluated without a dead band, i.e., a way to provide change in attitude information for the full range of an altitudes. This can be

accomplished by pitching or rolling the sensor 1° or 2° so that two of the detectors are not fully dipped-into the earth's horizon. In this way, two of the detectors can show changes in depression angles for changes in attitude. This is illustrated in Figure 3. Figure 3 shows the condition in which the altitude is decreased to the point that if the sensor were positioned at null, all the A and B fields would be fully illuminated by the earth. By pitching the sensor, detector arrays 1 and 4 can detect attitude changes ensuring that a dead band does not occur.

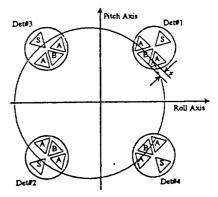


Figure 3 - Pitched Detector Orientation

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Operational Range Trade-Offs for TRMM ESA (RD21-93)

The existing TRMM specification requires a  $0.08^{\circ}\pm7\%$  accuracy over an attitude range of  $\pm1^{\circ}$  and over an altitude range of  $350 \text{Km}\pm15 \text{Km}$ . In addition, the specification requires that there be some performance over a 200 Km to 400 Km altitude range, but with degraded accuracy. Some compromises will have to be made in the performance of the ESA over the 200 Km to 400 Km altitude range. This is because the field-of-view of the sensor spans only 5°. Achieving high accuracy over the 200 Km to 400 Km altitude range combined with the  $\pm1^{\circ}$  attitude range would require a field-of-view that spans 8°. This is discussed in more detail in my memo RD20-93.

With additional information from the customer, the required compromises can be made in a way that will optimize the ESA for TRMM's on-orbit operation.

Before listing the various trade-offs and compromises, let me first outline my understanding of the system requirements in order of importance to the mission.

- The sensor must, as a minimum, provide  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range from 335Km to 365Km with a 0.08° $\pm$ 7% accuracy.
- The satellite may overshoot and be injected into an orbit with a 400Km altitude, but the satellite will then be reset to the 350Km±15Km altitude range.
- The satellite needs to be controlled during reentry, and that is why there is a 200Km altitude requirement.

Now, based on these three requirements, it would be helpful to also know:

- a) Is there need for  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range in the region from 365Km to 400Km? A smaller attitude range (say  $\pm 0.25^{\circ}$ ) would provide greater altitude range at the lower altitudes with all four detectors viewing the earth's horizon.
- b) For the region below 335Km, does the sensor have to operate at null or can it operate pitched or rolled by 1° or 2°? The purpose for pitching or rolling a fixed amount is to ensure there is no dead band at the lower altitudes. If the unit is pitched or rolled a fixed amount, then the attitude can be determined using two of the detector's fields.

- c) Again, is  $\pm 1^{\circ}$  attitude range required below 335Km or can some reduced attitude range be accommodated? A smaller attitude range can provide for a larger altitude range with four field operation.
- d) Will the typical attitude maneuvers be a combined pitch and roll maneuver or will it be fixed along the pitch axis or roll axis? This is important to know because it may be possible to provide greater attitude range along a fixed axis rather than combined pitch and roll.

Finally, let me suggest that a dip-in of 2.1° be selected and that 2-detector operation be used where appropriate. In this case I estimate the "degraded performance" achievable over the 200Km to 400Km altitude range to be as below.

| Altitude Range | Attitude Range | Operating Mode | Expected Error (ε) |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 200Km to 284Km | 1°±0.5°        | 2-Detector     | 0.15° < ε < 0.3°   |
| 285Km to 334Km | ±1°            | 4-Detector     | 0.15° < ε < 0.3°   |
| 335Km to 365Km | ±1°            | 4-Detector     | 0.08°±7%           |
| 366Km to 385Km | ±l°            | 4-Detector     | 0.1° < ε < 0.25°   |
| 386Km to 400Km | ±0.25°         | 4-Detector     | 0.1° < ε < 0.25°   |

This configuration also has the advantage of easy adoption to other operating altitudes (say 370Km±15Km), should this be necessary.

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### **REFERENCE 1**

Design of Objective Lens for ERS-1 Program (MELCO)

### MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 13, 1987

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SUBJECT: Design of Objective Lens for ERS-1 Program (MELCO)

### INTRODUCTION:

This memo summarizes the final design of the objective lens that will be used in the ESA static sensor for the ERS-1 program of MELCO. It describes the objective lens as well as key points in the design process.

### REQUIREMENTS:

MELCO requires a static sensor to measure the attitude (pitch and roll) of their ERS-1 satellite which will orbit the earth at a mean altitude of 568 km. Because the standard ESA manufactured by Barnes Engineering is designed to work at a nominal altitude of 833 km (450 nautical miles), its nadir angle (i.e. angle between nadir direction and center of the B FOV) would normally be too low for this mission. This would cause the A and B fields of view of the ESA to impinge too far into the image of the earth's horizon for proper operation. The nadir angle of the ESA must therefore be increased to allow the sensor to operate over the range of 568 ±60 km required by the ERS-1 program.

### Calculation of Nadir Angle of Sensor

To compute how much we must increase the nadir angle, first refer to Figure 1 and note that the standard ESA has a nadir angle of:

 $\theta = 62.6^{\circ}$ 

Basic geometry provides the equation relating a sensor's altitude to the horizon angle:

$$\Phi (A) = Arcsin\{(R_E + h_{CO2})/(R_E + A)\}$$

where:

 $R_E$  = mean radius of the earth = 6371 kilometers

A = altitude of sensor = 568 kilometers

 $h_{CO2} \equiv$  mean height of CO2 horizon profile = 40 km

 $\phi$  (A)  $\equiv$  horizon angle as a function of altitude

Although the CO2 radiance profile has no precise altitude, 40 km, the altitude of its half radiance point, is usually taken as the value of h. Let the difference between the nadir angles corresponding to the standard ESA altitude (833 km) and the nominal altitude for ERS-1 (568 km) be  $\Delta\theta$ . Then from the equation for nadir angle:

$$\Delta\theta = \Phi(568 \text{ km}) - \Phi(833 \text{ km}) = 4.647^{\circ}$$
  
 $\Delta\theta = 4.647^{\circ}$ 

This value of 4.647° is the angle by which we must increase the nadir angle of the standard ESA to make it compatible with the lower altitude of the ERS-1 mission. The final design value for the nadir angle is therefore:

 $\theta$  ERS1 =  $\theta$  ESA +  $\Delta\theta$ 

 $\theta$  ERS1 = 62.60 + 4.6470

 $\theta$  ERS1 = 67.247°  $\approx$  67.25°

### where:

 $\theta$  ESA  $\equiv$  nadir angle of the standard ESA = 62.60

 $\theta$  ERS1  $\Xi$  nadir angle of the sensor for ERS-1

 $\Delta\theta$  = calculated increase in nadir angle = 4.647°

Here we define "nadir angle" as the angle between the optical axis of the ESA's "B" FOV and the yaw axis of the satellite.

### OBJECTIVES OF THE DESIGN

To eliminate the need for major redesign of the ESA optical head, Barnes Engineering is using a wedge, or prismatic objective lens to accommodate the standard ESA sensor to the 67.25 degree nadir angle required for the ERS-1 sensor. So, except for the objective lens cell, no changes in the design of the ESA optical head will be needed. The main requirements of the design are as follows:

- 1. The objective lens must deflect the chief ray of the incoming parallel ray bundle by 4.65 degrees as shown in Figure 1. This changes the direction of the ESA's FOV from its normal 62.6 degrees to the 67.25 degrees required for ERS-1.
- 2. The rear, R2, surface of the lens must have the same radius of curvature as the standard ESA objective. The axis of this surface must also be unchanged with respect to the axes of the field lenses. This is important because the sensor design requires that the ORS mirror be bonded to the R2 surface of the objective. By keeping the curvature of this surface the same as for the standard ESA objective (151.72 mm radius), the ORS mirror's mating surface will not need to be changed.
- 3. The thickness must be no less than 1.0 mm at any point on the edge of the lens. This will ensure enough mechanical strength for mounting the lens.

4. The back focal plane of the optical system must be the same as for the standard ESA. When the lens is installed into the ESA optical head, its focal plane must be at the back of the field lens of the B FOV, just as it is in the standard ESA. This is important since all distances and orientations of the field lenses with respect to the back surface of the objective will be the same in this optical system as it is in the standard ESA.

Besides these main requirements, Barnes Engineering sought to achieve two other goals in the design:

- 1. The design should be optimized to have its best image quality at the following two points in the triangular B FOV:
  - a. upper apex of the triangle.
  - b. lower corner of the triangle.

Figure 2 shows where these points are in the sensor's fields of view.

Image quality here means what is commonly called the spot size or "blur" diameter of a point image. We need good image quality at point a. to prevent the image of the horizon's edge from "spilling over" into the S FOV should the horizon ever be at its maximum limit into the field (near 5.2 degrees from the lower edge). Likewise, minimum blur at point b. will keep the transfer function linear for the cases of extremely small angles of horizon penetration (about 0.2 degrees). Note that image quality is relatively unimportant near the center of the field, at 2.6 degrees penetration, since the FOV merely gathers optical energy for the detector. The detector receives the same amount of optical flux from a blurred horizon edge as from a sharply imaged one whenever the horizon is not near the top or bottom limits of the triangular field.

2. The front surface of the objective should be spherical. By avoiding aspheric surfaces in the design, fabrication costs will be kept lower.

It is important to note that the wedge design does not change the angular size of the standard ESA triangular fields of view. They will remain 5.20 high in the sensor for ERS-1.

### DESCRIPTION OF DESIGN

A copy of the optical data sheet attached to this memo describes the design in terms of the optical parameters needed for its fabrication. Figure 3 shows a ray diagram for the lens focused onto the field lens of the B FOV. Notice that:

- 1. The first surface is tilted 1.54 degrees with respect to the back surface. This is the wedge angle needed to deflect the chief ray of the system by the required 4.65 degrees.
- The ray diagram shows an obscuration of 29.25 mm at the center of the lens that corresponds to where the ORS mirror will be fastened to the back of the lens. This is not specified on the data sheet because it is not important for manufacturing the objective. The obscuration was taken into account in the design, however, because it does affect the aberrations of the optical system.

The following is a summary of the first order parameters for this design:

Focal Length: 112.34 mm

Clear Aperture: 58.5 mm

Lens Material: Germanium

Index of Refraction: 3.9963 for 15 um wavelength at

specified operating temperature of

10 C.

Radius of Curvature of Front Surface (R1): 106.71 mm

(convex)

Radius of Curvature of Back Surface (R2): 151.72 mm

(concave)

Thickness at Center of lens: 4.12 mm

Wedge Angle between Lens Surfaces: 1.54 degrees

### EVALUATION OF OPTICAL PERFORMANCE

Figures 4 and 5 are optical spot diagrams of the image at points a. and b., which were described earlier. The table below compares the 100% tangential blur (in degrees) for this design to those for the standard ESA lens. The tangential blur, or blur measured in the direction perpendicular to the horizon's image is the important parameter here. Sagittal blur would not affect the system's performance since the horizon's image runs parallel to this direction.

| FIELD POSITION                 | TANGENTIAL<br>STANDARD ESA | BLUR<br>ERS-1 SENSOR |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Point a. (lower apex of B FOV) | 0.14 deg.                  | 0.26 deg             |
| Point b. (upper apex of B FOV) | 0.17 deg.                  | 0.30 deg             |

These results show that adding the 1.540 wedge to the objective has almost doubled the width of the optical blur inside the B FOV. This will not affect the sensor's performance, however, because:

As explained before, the field lenses do not form an image of the horizon, but merely gather energy for the detector. As long as the depression angle of the horizon (i.e. angle between the horizon and the lower edge of the B FOV) is great enough, aberrations will not affect the linearity of the transfer function at extreme attitudes or altitudes. To compute the minimum depression angle that can be allowed, we very conservatively assume that it must be at least half of the 100% blur width at the lower corner of the B FOV. So,

$$\theta_{\min} = \frac{0.26}{2}^{\circ} = 0.13^{\circ}$$

where:

<sup>0</sup>min= minimum allowable depression angle

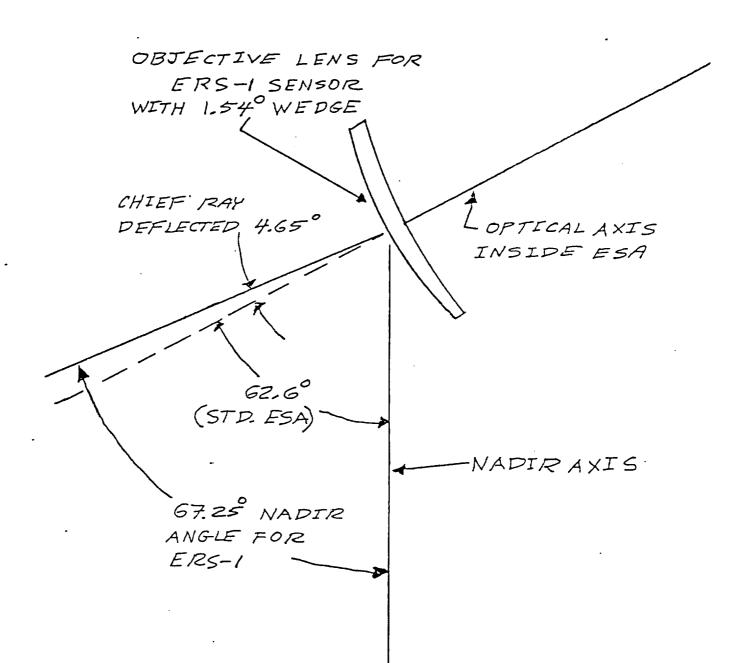
This is much less than the minimum depression angle of 1.44.0, which corresponds to the highest altitude of 628 km specified for the ERS-1 mission.

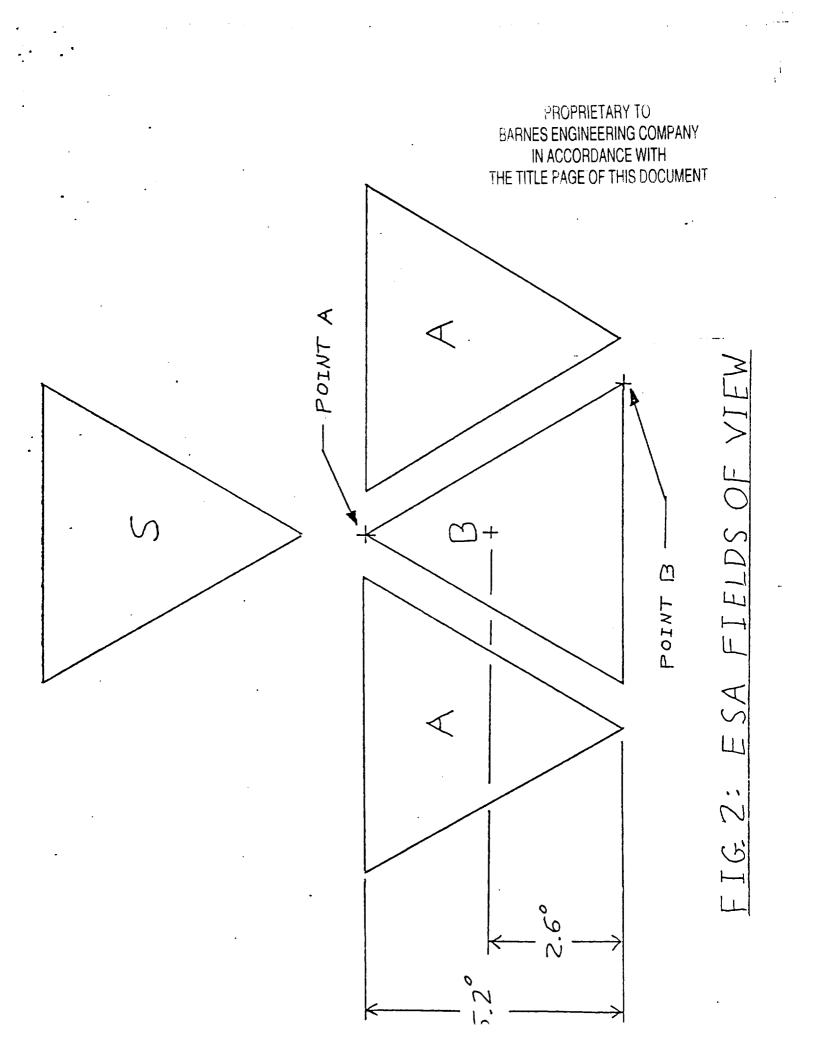
The optical blur is still only a fraction of the uncertainty or "blur" that is always present in the earth's CO2 radiance profile. Because the horizon's shape is really like a ramp subtending an angle of about 0.90 at 568 km, this blur is at least three times the width of the worst case optical blur. Any uncertainty in the image caused by optical aberrations will thus be negligible.

The design will therefore meet the requirements for ERS-1 mission by allowing the ESA sensor to operate a mean altitude of 568 km.

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## FIGURE 1. ORIENTATION OF OBJECTIVE RELATIVE TO NADIR





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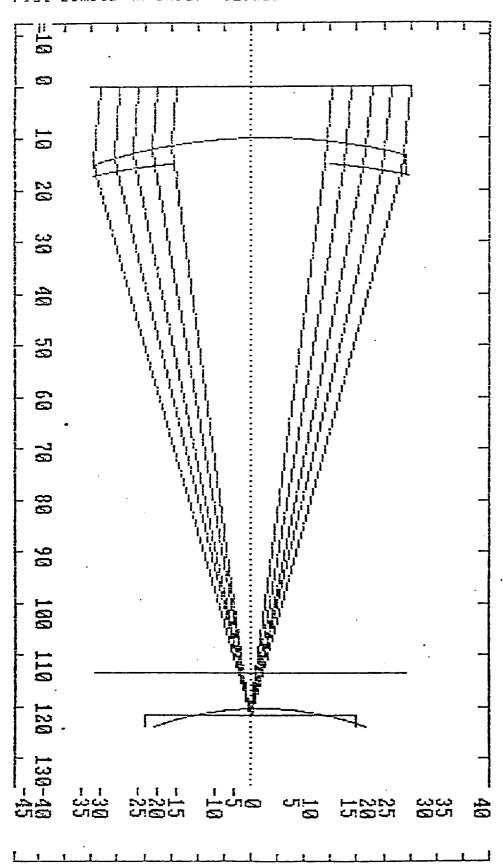
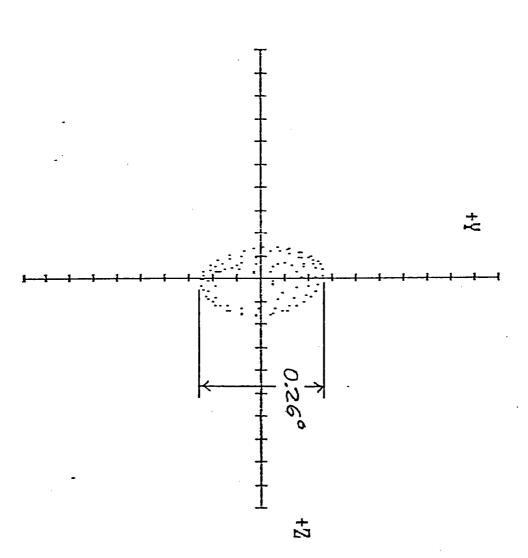
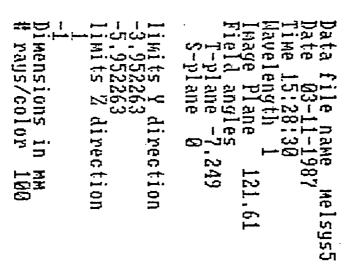


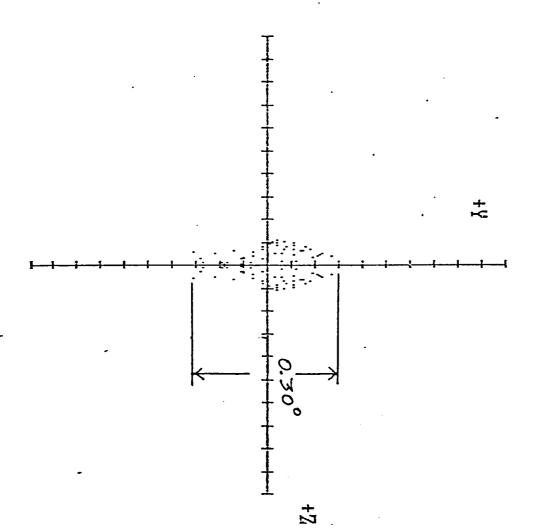
FIGURE 3

limits Y direction 6.000973
4.000973
limits Z direction 6.753478
4.753478
Dimensions in Mm
# rays/color 100

angles







### OPTICAL SYSTEM DATA SHEET

|  | SYSTEM DESCRIPTION: MELCO Earth Sensor Assembly   |           |                   |                  |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |
|--|---|-----------|-------------------|------------------|---|-------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----|--|
| PROJECT NO. AECZ  BY 10. 4. Boston  DATE 9-10-1986 |   |           |                   |                  |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |
| SURF.  | mm.   | CC        | mm.<br>CLEAR APER | mm.<br>THK & TOL | MATERIAL                                | SURF. | IRREG<br>(fr.) | CC<br>TYPE | ATING     |     |  |
| 7//  | In.   | cx        | In.               | ln.              |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |
|  | 106.71  | ///       |                   | //////           | //////                                  | 80-50 |                | SE         | 77.1<br>E | 24  |  |
| 1  | ± 0,10  | CX        | 58,5              | 4.12             |   | 7777  | 2              | NO         | 77/       | 7   |  |
|  |   |           |                   | ±0.04            | G-e                                     |       |                | 5 E        | []])<br>E |     |  |
| · 2  | 151.72  | CC        | 58.5              |                  |   | 80-50 | 2              | ·NO        |           | 2   |  |
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| 1  | REMARKSI  ① Surface #/ is tilted relative to surface #2 == -                            |           |                   |                  |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |
| 2  | The coating specifications are the same as those for 257302-2003-1 lie the standard ESA |           |                   |                  |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |
| c  | objective (ens).  |           |                   |                  |   |       |                |            |           |     |  |

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